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FM AMEMBASSY LA PAZ

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SUBJ: WHEAT/FLOUR PROBLEM

REFS: (A) LA PAZ 2037; (B) LA PAZ 1945

1. DURING RECEPTION AT AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE APRIL 11, SUB-SECRETARY COMMERCE ZAMORANO DISCUSSED AT LENGTH WITH ECONOFF AND MORE BRIEFLY WITH AMBASSADOR, DIRE STRAITS GOB NOW ENTERING DUE SHORT- TERM FLOUR SUPPLY PROBLEM. ZAMORANO GAVE MUCH GREATER EMPHASIS TO ESTIMATE MILLS WOULD BE WITHOUT WHEAT WITHIN 15 DAYS (ABOUT APRIL 25) THAN IN EARLIER CONVERSATION IN MININD/ COM ORMACHEA'S OFFICE. (PARAS 6 AND 7 OF REF A). HE NOW BELIEVES THAT EMERGENCY MEASURES MUST BE TAKEN ALONG LINES RESORTED TO IN OCTOBER, 1972 JUST BEFORE DEVALUATION, WHEN GOB ASKED FOR FLOUR AIRLIFT.

2. WHEN ECONOFF ASKED WHY GOB HAD NOT MOVED FASTER TO BRING IN PL-480 WHEAT AND BRING ITS NEGOTIATIONS WITH ARGENTINA TO SATISFACTORY CONCLUSION, ZAMORANO REPLIED LACK OF SHIPPING HAD BEEN MAJOR PROBLEM FOR USWHEAT AND GOA APPEARED SLOW OR UNWILLING TO TAKE ANY DECISIONS AS LAME- DUCK GOVERNMENT. (IN EARLIER CONVERSATIONS MININD/ COM OFFICIALS STATED DIFFICULTIES IN WORKING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OUT SUBSIDY ARRANGEMENTS DELAYED PLACING ORDERS. SEE PARA 4 REF B).

3. ZAMORANO SAID ABOUT 3,000 M. T. WHEAT HELD IN CHILEAN PORTS NOW
MISSING. CLAIMED THIS LOSS PLGELY
TO SERVE ONLY TO MAKE THIS AGREEMENT CONSISTENT WITH FIRST.
UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED, MISSION WILL PROCEED WITH
SIGNING AGREEMENT INCORPORATING ABOVE CHANGES SOON AS
ICRC READY, WHICH MISSION HOPES CAN BE APRIL 16. RIMESTAD

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